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AMENDMENT IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

This Amendment is filed concurrently with a Request For Continued Examination in connection with the above-identified patent application. Of note, a Final Office Action was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 24, 2003. The September 24, 2003 Final Office Action provided a period of 3 months in which to file a response, i.e., by December 24, 2003. A Petition for a two-month extension of time is submitted herewith. Accordingly, a response to the September 24, 2003 Office Action is due by February 24, 2004 and the Request For Continued Examination mentioned above (as well as this Amendment) is being timely filed.